REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested on the grounds that claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 5, indicated as allowable in item 6 on page 5 of the Official Action.

The rejections under USC §§102(b) and 103(a) have been rendered moot.

Having thus overcome each of the rejections made in the Official Action, withdrawal of the rejections and expedited passage of the application to issue is requested.

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